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FOLLOWING IS THE STATEMENT OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
HENRY A. KISSINGER, UPON HIS DEPARTURE FROM GENEVA
FOR WASHINGTON:

"AS I GO BACK TO THE UNITED STATES TO REPORT TO PRESI-
DENT NIXON, I LEAVE WITH NOURISHED HOPE.

WE HAVE COMPLETED THE FIRST STAGE OF THE CONFERENCE
AND HAVE ACHIEVED SUBSTANTIALLY WHAT WE CAME HERE TO
DO.

WE HAVE SETTLED THE PROCEDURAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL
QUESTIONS. NEXT WEEK WE EXPECT THAT DISENGAGEMENT
TALKS BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT MAY START AND WE HOPE
THAT OTHER GROUPS OF THIS KIND CAN BE ORGANIZED
SHORTLY AFTERWARDS.

OF COURSE, THE ROAD TO PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST
WILL BE LONG AND SOMETIMES PAINFUL BUT AT THIS
HOLIDAY SEASON TO HAVE BROUGHT TOGETHER THE PARTIES
IN THE MIDDLE EAST FOR THE FIRST TIME IS AN ACHIEVE-
MENT OF WHICH FIRST OF ALL THE PARTIES SHOULD BE
PROUD, THEN THE UNITED NATIONS, AND ALL THOSE WHO

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COULD PLAY A ROLE IN IT.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE
UNITED NATIONS AND THE UNITED NATIONS FOR THE
SPLENDID ARRANGEMENTS THAT THEY MADE. I WOULD
PARTICULARLY LIKE TO THANK THE SWISS GOVERNMENT
FOR THE EFFICIENCY, COURTESY AND ATTENTION THEY
PAID US ALL.
I WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR."
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